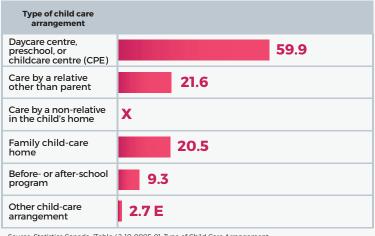


## CHILD CARE BY THE NUMBERS: PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Child-care policies should be equitable for all families, regardless of the type of care they choose. Universal child-care systems fail to recognize the diverse care needs of PEI parents and their reasons for the type of care they choose.

## Type of child-care arrangement among children in non-parental child care, household population aged 0 to 5 years, PEI

Of PEI children under age six, about **34 percent** are in parental care only.1



About 3 percent of PEI children under age six are in parental care because the parent could not find another option.1

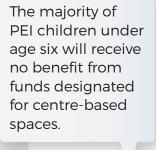
Source: Statistics Canada, "Table 42-10-0005-01: Type of Child Care Arrangement,

Household Population Aged 0 to 5 Years."

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Respondents selected all that applied, resulting in a sum that exceeds 100 percent

## Top five reasons for using main child-care arrangement, household population aged 0 to 5 years, PEI





Of **all** PEI children under age six (those in non-parental child care and those who are not), about 40 percent are in centre-based care or preschool.<sup>2</sup>

Source: Statistics Canada, "Table 42-10-0006-01: Parent/Guardian Reasons for Using Main Child Care Arrangement, Household Population Aged 0 to 5 Years. Respondents selected all main reasons from twelve options.

Prince Edward Island should take a neutral, evidence-based approach and respect the diversity of care that parents use.



A Provincial/Territorial Portrait," https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/11-626-x/11-626-x2019013-eng.htm.

2. Calculations based on Statistics Canada, "Table 42-10-0004-01 & Table 42-10-0005-01: Early Learning and Child Care for Children aged 0 to 5 years: A Provincial/Territorial Portrait," https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/11-626-x/11-626-x2019013-eng.htm.

